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Shaw Property Farm House
Rawlings

1850

The Shaw Property Farm House is built in the cottage style of the mid-nineteenth century. It is a frame building covered by board and batten siding, and is two stories high and three bays wide. The windows are two over two lights with shutters and hood. Several stained glass windows are placed on the main facade and around the entrance. One corbeled brick chimney is located centrally to the entire facade.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Shaw Property Frame House

AND/OR COMMON

Collins' Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Off Rt. 220 South, .3 mile South of Rawlings

CITY, TOWN

Rawlings

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

No Longer in use

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED
☒ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Wilbur Collins

Telephone #: 729-3532

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. General Delivery

CITY, TOWN

Rawlings

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21557

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 454

Folio #: 85

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Collins board and batten frame house is located off Route 220 South near Rawlings, Allegany County on the east side of the road, three tenths of a mile South of the Rawlings Post Office.

The house consists of a two story, three bay wide "T" shaped facade. A two story wing abuts the main block on the rear western side forming the stem of the "T". The building is a frame structure covered with verticle board and batten siding and is supported by a low brick foundation with a plain water table. The roof of the structure is gabled including rafter ends and barge board and is covered with replaced asphalt materials. Windows in the building include double hung wooden sash frames with two-over-two lights, shutters, and many have deteriorated hoods. Several stained glass windows are placed on the face of the main block and around the entrance. The main entrance is located on the front eastern face and exhibits the original verticle paneled door with transom and stained glass transom lights. An end porch with hipped roof originally covered the front entrance, however it has since deteriorated and collapsed. One corbeled, brick chimney, which is original is located centrally to the entire facade.

The house is rapidly deteriorating and is in near ruins condition.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

- ☐ PREHISTORIC
- ☐ 1400-1499
- ☐ 1500-1599
- ☐ 1600-1699
- ☐ 1700-1799
- ☒ 1800-1899
- ☐ 1900-

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1870

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Shaw Frame House is one of four properties owned by Major Alexander Shaw, an officer with the Union Army during the Civil War. Major Shaw was, in all probability, one of the richest men in Allegany County especially considering the fact that his major source of income came from agriculture. The Frame House was built by Major Shaw sometime after he acquired the property in 1874. Major Shaw used the first floor of the building as an office while the 2nd floor was used to house servants who worked in the main house. ¹

Architecturally, the building is a good example of the "cottage style" popular in the Victorian Period. Although it is deteriorating rapidly, many fine details are still visible such as stained glass transom lights and windows on the first floor, the hoods over the windows and the fine corbeled chimney.

1. Interview with Mrs. Helen Hinkle, Treasurer Allegany County Committee of the Maryland Historical Trust. 8/18/76

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland , Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 968.4 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE	John E. Nelson, Program Coordinator of All. Co. Historic Sites	
ORGANIZATION	Allegany County Historic Sites Survey	DATE 7/6/76
STREET & NUMBER	10 Park Lane	TELEPHONE 689-8486
CITY OR TOWN	Frostburg	STATE Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. A1-VI-B-014

Liber - 454

DATE: 6/16/76

Folio - 85

REMARKS: Drastic, moderate, minor

968.4 acres

NAME OF PROPERTY: Part of old Shaw Farm PropertyLOCATION OF PROPERTY: .3 Mile South of Rawlings Along Rt. 280 SouthDIRECTION DWELLING FACES: EastNAME OF OWNER: Wilbur Collins 729-3532ADDRESS: P.O. BoxRawlings, Maryland 21557STORIES: 1() 2(☒) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(☒) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()WINGS, ADDITIONS: Rear WingDwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) "T" Shaped

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- ☒ FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?) Verticle
() BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
() STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG
() Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTER, OTHERS PlainFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2(☒) 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other() Hoods
Stained Glass Lights pegged() nailed() wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: East
HARDWARE: original(☒) replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSCOM SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN Transom Lights - Stained
paneled, Verticle Horizontal BoardsCORNICE, BARGE, FAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) Barge Board
original(☒) replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, ArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, PANCAED, GAMBREL, FLAT, POINERS &
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced(☒)PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip(☒) gable()CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 1 BRICK(☒) STONE() CORBELLED(☒) original(☒) replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central(☒) Interior()ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - No Longer usedSignificance - Arch.Date Constructed - Mid 19th CenturyCondition - Ruins

Key points regarding interior architecture.

1. Floor plan

No through hall--How many rooms long and deep?
Where is stairway? Straight or winding?

With through hall--Rooms on both sides? How many?

Rooms on one side only? How many?

Is stair in through hall?

Open or enclosed? Straight--one run. Straight--landing

How many? Curved.

If not in hall, where is stair?

2. Wall finish: plaster, paneled, board partition
Note presence of chair rail, cornice, etc.

3. Fireplaces: How many? Parallel to walls or diagonal in corner?

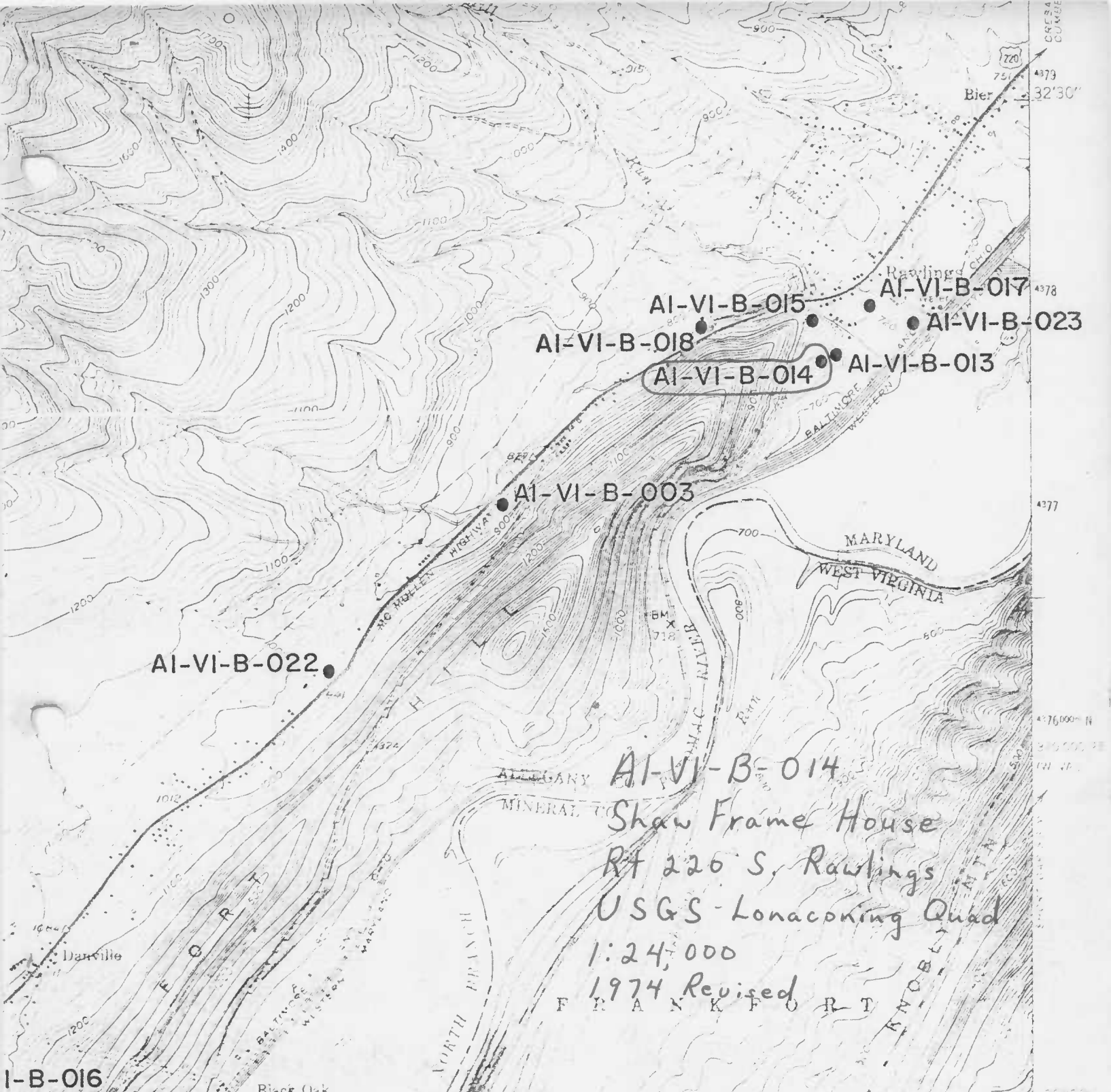
Mantels: wood--mouldings, pilasters, columns
masonry--marble(what color?), brick

3. Doors: on the inside of exterior doors, note the presence of applied flush boards and their direction (diagonal, vertical, horizontal). In general are doors paneled or ledge or other?

4. Door and window trim: plain, architrave; fluted, reeded; pilasters

5. Kitchen: Where is original if extant or known (marked by very large fireplace)? Separate building; wing to principal dwelling; within principal dwelling? On which floor of any of the above?

2. NEW ENTRANCE OR HALL (IF ANY) ON ANY OTHER FLOOR OR PORCH



TRIBUTION

● = SITE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

HAZARD FREE ALL WEATHER ROAD	DRY WEATHER ALLAYS
Heavy duty	Improved dirt
Medium duty	Unimproved dirt
Grass surface/graded or narrow hard surface	
U.S. Route	State Route

LONACONING, MD. W. VA.
SW 1/4 FROSTBURG 10 QUADRANGLE
N3930-W7252 5/75

PHOTOREVISED 1974
AM 5017 III SW SERIES 803



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Rt 220 South - Off

.3 Mile S. of Rawlings

John E. Nelson

6/16/76

South



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SHAW PROPERTY FRAME HOUSE

6/16/1976 - John Nelson